

INTERVIEW SUMMARY/STATEMENT OF JULIE NASSIF

Location	MDPH Lab, Jamaica Plain
Date and Time	12/20/11; 11:00
Interviewer	Steven Chilian, Deputy General Counsel
Union Representation	N/A

The witness, Julie Nassif, (JN) is the Lab's Director of the Division of Analytic Chemistry. JN first became aware of the matter on June 17, via an email from Elizabeth O'Brien (EO) requesting a meeting with her and Charles Salemi (CS) regarding an irregularity in lab protocols.

JN met with CS and EO on June 20. She was briefed by EO regarding the lack of documentation in the log book for a number of samples that had been transferred to Annie Dookhan (AD) for testing. EO brought the log book to the meeting to show both JN and CS. At this meeting there were no entries in the log book for the samples in question – no entries documenting the transfer of samples from an evidence officer to AD. According to JN, the three discussed the issue and sought to meet with AD immediately but she was unavailable. A meeting with AD was planned for the next day. JN also notified Linda Han (LH) the Lab Director later that same day and briefed her on the situation.

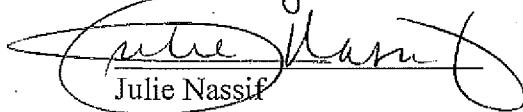
On 6/21/2011, JN with CS, and EO met with AD. According to JN, just prior to this meeting, EO went back to retrieve the log book for the meeting. She discovered that the chain of custody for the suspect samples had been filled in. The log book now showed entries by Gloria Philips (GP) documenting the transfer of the samples to AD on June 14, 2011.

The group confronted AD and sought an explanation. AD asserted that the Evidence Officer, GP, had provided her the samples as annotated in the log book. She maintained this stance even with knowledge that the log book had been observed to be blank on the 20th for the samples in question and further that GP's last duty day was 6/14.

According to JN, Gloria Philips (GP) was contacted at home by EO. She denied any knowledge or responsibility of the entries in the log book. When GP returned to work on the 26th, she was asked to examine the log book. According to JN, GP stated that the initials in the log book were not hers. Based on this information, JN temporarily removed AD from testing and discussed with LH.

I, Julie Nassif, have been provided an opportunity to review the above interview summary prepared by Steven Chilian and to make any changes. I hereby adopt this summary as my own and declare that that the information contained therein is a true to the best of my recollection.

Signed under the penalties of perjury this 1st day of February 2012


Julie Nassif